

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 757

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by: (KID)

AN ACT CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN TEMPORARY FAMILY ASSISTANCE BENEFITS FOR GRANDPARENTS AND OTHER CARETAKER RELATIVES RAISING CHILDREN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (Effective July 1, 2007) (a) For the fiscal year ending June 2 30, 2008, the Commissioner of Social Services shall increase the monthly cash assistance benefit amount, under the temporary family 4 assistance program, pursuant to section 17b-112 of the general statutes, 5 provided to a caretaker relative, as defined in said section 17b-112, on 6 behalf of a child, by thirty per cent over the standard for such payments for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007. Any caretaker 8 relative receiving temporary family assistance benefits from the Department of Social Services for caring for more than one child shall 10 receive a rate increase, in accordance with the provisions of this 11 section, that is based on the aggregate temporary family assistance 12 benefit amount paid to such relative on June 30, 2007. For the fiscal 13 year ending June 30, 2009, and each fiscal year thereafter, the 14 commissioner shall increase the temporary family assistance benefit 15 amount to such caretaker relative on behalf of a child over that of the 16 previous fiscal year by the percentage increase, if any, in the consumer

- 17 price index for urban consumers.
- 18 (b) On and after July 1, 2007, a caretaker relative who makes an
- 19 application with the Department of Social Services for temporary
- 20 family assistance benefits and is determined eligible to receive such
- 21 benefits on behalf of a child shall receive benefits at a rate that is
- 22 determined in accordance with subsection (a) of this section.
- Sec. 2. (Effective July 1, 2007) The sum of _____ dollars is appropriated
- 24 to the Department of Social Services, from the General Fund, for the
- 25 fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, for the purposes of section 1 of this
- 26 act.

Sec. 2

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2007	New section

New section

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July 1, 2007

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